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	officials have been indulging in mal-practices while alloting wheat to traders of Southern Region by first come first served basis.	
2.	Complaint dt. 20.8.96 of the Tamil Nadu RFMs Association forwarded by Sh V Alagirisamy, M.P. (Lok Sabha) - alleges that FCI officials have been indulging in malpractices while alloting wheat to traders of Southern Region by first come first served basis.	The matter has been referred to FCI.
3.	Complaint received from Shri Babu Ram Paranjape, M.P. (Lok Sabha) about irregularities committed by Shri Ram Nath Singh, Distt. Manager, FCI, Jabalpur on account of procurement and storage of rice worth crores of rupees.	Information has been received from FCI. The matter is under examination.
4	Complaint received from Shri Vaid Dau Dayal Joshi, M.P. regarding irregularities in open sale of wheat in Rajasthan.	-do-
5.	Complaint received from Shri Harbans Sahai, M.P.-Regarding irregularities in the open sale of rice by SRM, Punjab.	-do-

[Translation]

Open Sale of Wheat and Rice

3697. SHRI UTTAMSINGH PAWAR : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of wheat and rice released in the form of open sale for domestic market during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government propose to release more quantity of wheat and rice during the current year in view of the steep rise in the prices of food grains;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) Statement indicating the quantity of wheat and rice sold by Food Corporation of India under Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) during the last three years, State-wise, is annexed.

(b) to (d). Government has authorised Food Corporation of India to release 6 lakh tonnes of wheat per month for open market sale between December,'96 and March,'97 in order to increase the availability of wheat and to have a sobering effect on the open market prices of the Wheat.

Against the authorisation of sale of 5 lakh tonnes of rice in the open market for the year 1996-97, Food Corporation of India has been able to sell a quantity of 1.88 lakh tonnes of rice upto November,'96. The remaining quantity is considered sufficient to meet the requirement of the open market during the year.

STATEMENT

Quantity of Wheat and Rice Sold under Open sale during 1993-94 to 1995-96.

(Wheat Figs. in lakh tonnes)
(Rice Figs. in '000 tonnes)

Name of the State	1993-94		1994-95		1995-96	
	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. Punjab	2.00	1.6	3.25	24.7	7.69	36.2
2. Haryana	5.41	4.9	7.18	15.5	12.84	47.9
3. Uttar Pradesh	8.55	-	6.72	1.9	8.58	1.6
4. Delhi	0.13	-	1.26	11.4	1.43	3.0
5. Rajasthan	0.10	-	0.40	0.6	0.41	0.5
6. Himachal Pradesh	0.10	-	0.17	-	0.14	-
7. J and K	0.26	-	0.48	-	0.13	-
8. West Bengal	0.71	-	1.20	9.1	1.14	16.5
9. Bihar	1.65	-	2.79	1.0	4.02	2.1
10. Orissa	0.28	-	1.48	-	1.88	1.2
11. Maharashtra	2.15	7.4	5.32	182.1	6.80	295.0
12. Gujarat	0.65	1.9	2.07	62.5	4.00	102.9
13. Madhya Pradesh	1.19	1.2	4.47	40.9	5.49	13.5

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
14.	Tamil Nadu	2.73	-	6.25	23.6	3.39	11.1
15.	Andhra Pradesh	1.10	-	2.11	48.7	2.37	98.3
16.	Karnataka	1.38	-	4.36	30.1	2.24	0.4
17.	Kerala	0.17	-	0.78	1.8	0.83	6.6
	Total	28.56	17.0	50.29	453.9	63.38	636.8

[English]

Sugar Supply

3698. SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR :
SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT :

Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) the quantum of sugar being made available to the States during the current festival time, State-wise;

(b) whether adequate quantum of sugar is not being made available to the States particularly to Karnataka and Maharashtra during the festival time;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to enhance the levy sugar quota to the States?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) to (d). At present the monthly allocation of levy sugar to States/UTs is being made on a unifrom norm of ensuring 425 gms. per capita availability as per population as on 1.1.1991 effective from 1.1.1996. However, in view of improved availability of sugar and also demand from States/UTs including Maharashtra and Karnataka the annual festival quota has been doubled for the calendar year 1996. Besides it, a 10% ad-hoc increase in the monthly levy quota allocation for December, 1996 has also been made.

A statement showing the yearly festival quota being allotted on the aforesaid basis is given in Annexure-I. At present there is no proposal to enhance the monthly levy quota of sugar to States/UTs.

STATEMENT

Statement Showing the State-wise Monthly Festival Quota of Levy Sugar

(in M.T.)

States/Union Territories	Annual Festival Quota	Enhanced Festival Quota for the year 1996
1	2	3
1. Andhra Pradesh	7614	15228
2. Arunachal Pradesh	94	188
3. Assam	2896	5792
4. Bihar	10078	20156
5. Goa	150	300
6. Gujarat	4878	9756
7. Haryana	1924	3848
8. Himachal Pradesh	608	1216
9. Jammu and Kashmir	868	1736
10. Karnataka	5350	10700
11. Kerala	3600	7200
12. Madhya Pradesh	7536	15072
13. Maharashtra	9014	18028
14. Manipur	208	416
15. Meghalaya	200	400
16. Mizoram	78	156
17. Nagaland	128	256
18. Orissa	3730	7460
19. Punjab	2392	4784
20. Rajasthan	5092	10184
21. Sikkim	50	100
22. Tamil Nadu	6790	13580
23. Tripura	302	604
24. Uttar Pradesh	15936	31872
25. West Bengal	7796	15592
26. A and N Islands	74	148
27. Chandigarh	112	224
28. Delhi	2316	4632
29. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	14	28
30. Daman and Diu	12	24
31. Lakshadweep	22	44
32. Pondicherry	88	176
All-India	100000	200000

Drug Policy

3699. SHRI MURALIDHAR JENA : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposed to review the Drug Policy during 1996-97;

(b) whether the Government have decided to control the prices of some essential and life saving drugs; and